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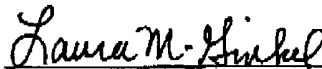
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 5, 2004, for which an unextended reply is due August 5, 2004, please consider the following amendments and the foregoing remarks. Applicants are filing a response within two months from the mailing date of the Final Office Action and respectfully request an Advisory Action (M.P.E.P. 710.02(e)). Any additional fees associated with this Amendment may be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

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